

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Airing the "Stolen Honor" documentary is a manipulation of free press, panders to the influence wielded by a wealthy minority, and undermines the true democratic process of this country. You should be ashamed of yourselves! If don't have the strength to do the right thing and act independently, you have a moral obligation to offer equal time to the Democratic Party and the Kerry campaign to air a counter piece. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.